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I find the proposed Microsoft settlement to be a scam..

I have been a consultant in IT since 1984. I have been involved with IT projects since 1978. I have worked with apple II, IBM mainframes, and DEC VAXes. I have watched Microsoft attack and destroy company after company using their position and wealth. Microsoft only "innovates" when they are attaching competition. When the competition is gone they sit on their laurels.. I watched the original trial (1995) and thought the outcome was a scam. This proposal is for this trial (2000) is also a scam. Microsoft has silenced companies by "investing" in them or by threatening them.

Please open the playing field back up. Do not slap them on the wrist. The present proposal is nothing more than a WASTE OF MY MONEY.. PLEASE USE MY MONEY WISELY.

As a taxpayer I insist on a better proposal.. this one stinks of politics..

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